GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
LOK SABHA

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SAFETY SECURITY OF METRO RAILWAYS
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the security threat posed to the Metro Railways there is a need to provide adequate safety/security to the Metro Railways and their passengers in Delhi and Kolkata; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government in that regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI PON RADHAKRISHNA)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The following steps have been taken:-

DELHI:-

(i) A special unit with the name of Delhi Metro RailPolice has been formed within Delhi Police which is responsible for access control and law and order within the boundaries of Metro Rail tracks and installations.

(ii) For the safety and security of metro property, private security has been deployed on stations, depot and track.

(iii) Two sniffer dogs for detection of explosive materials are being used in metro premises.

(iv) Door frame metal detectors have been installed on the entry gates of all stations for proper checking/frisking of passengers. Staff has been provided with hand held metal detectors for this purpose.

KOLKATA:-

(i) Security is being provided by Metro Railway Police and Railway Protection Force (RPF).

(ii) Security exercises are also conducted by NSG personnel from time to time.

(iii) Security arrangements also include Closed Circuit Television (CCTV), and use of Metal Detectors etc.